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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
DANIEL A. GATELY : Art Unit 1621
Serial No. 09/016,641 :
Filed January 30, 1998 :
FOR: SILYLATED AND N-SILYLATED : Examiner: J. Vollano
COMPOUND SYNTHESIS :

SECOND 37 C.F.R. §1.116 RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

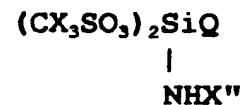
This second 37 C.F.R. §1.116 Response is filed to implement the agreement noted by the April 17, 2000 "Interview Summary".

I.

It is the intent of this amendment to cancel all non-nitrogen claims, both process and compounds. Specifically, the following amendments are made:

(1) Claim 1:

- (a) Delete lines 3 to 6 (to avoid misunderstanding, the deleted lines state: "or to the formula II



- (b) Line 9, delete the second comma (,) at the end of the line and insert a period ---.
(c) Delete lines 10 and 11.

(2) Cancel claims 5 and 6.

Exhibit A